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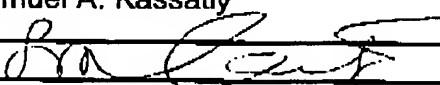
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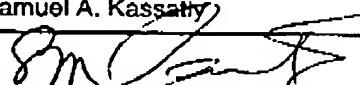
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Total Claims	Fee from Extra Claims below			Fee Paid
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1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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Title: "Flexure Design And Assembly Process For Slider Leading Edge Using Solder Filled Bond"

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